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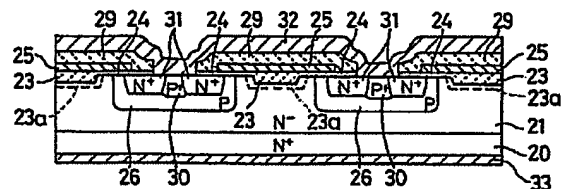
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⑤ A vertical-type MOSFET and method of fabricating the same.

⑦ A vertical-type MOSFET having high switching capabilities is shown. The high switching speed is facilitated by reduce the capacity between the drain and gate without providing adverse effects on the advantages based on the double diffusion method. The FET is constituted so that the distance between gate electrode and drain region is larger than the distance between the gate electrode and well region functioning as channels.



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TITLE OF THE INVENTION

A vertical-type MOSFET

1 BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to a semiconductor device for a MOSFET (Metal-Oxide-Semiconductor Field-Effect Transistor), and more particularly to a so called "vertical-type MOSFET" having high switching speed.

Recently, it is strongly required to simplify driving circuits and integrate them thereby to allow the power supply voltage of the circuits to be lowered. So as to realize this requirement, there is a tendency that a power MOSFET, particularly a vertical-type MOSFET which has low ON resistance (referring to resistance at a time of "ON") is suitable for power switching element.

Referring to Fig. 1, there is shown typical cell or chip structure of a prior art vertical-type MOSFET. The term "vertical" is derived from the fact that currents flow in the vertical direction of the transistor cell. The prior art vertical MOSFET cell is fabricated in accordance with following fabrication processes;

a) An N^- -type layer of low impurity concentration is epitaxially grown on a drain substrate 1 of low resistivity comprised of an N^+ -type silicon wafer of high impurity concentration to form a drain region 2 of high resistivity, which defines a semiconductor wafer 4 together with the drain substrate 1.

b) An insulating coating 3 for a gate is formed on a principal surface of the drain region 2 of high resistance by a thermal oxidation method, and then a polysilicon film constituting a gate electrode 5 is formed on the surface thereof.

c) The polysilicon film is selectively removed using photo-etching techniques to open source windows. Thereafter, under the condition that the remaining polysilicon film serves as a mask, through the opened source windows thus formed, there are successively formed by a double diffusion method a well region 6 functioning as channels, and source and well contact regions 7, 8

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1 which diffuse concentrically within the well region 6 from the
center thereof towards the outer periphery thereof.

2 d) After the double diffusion process is completed, a
source electrode 10 is formed on the upper surface of the gate
5 electrode 5 through an insulating film 9 by vacuum deposition.
Further, a drain electrode 11 is formed on the rear side of the
drain substrate 1 of low resistivity. Thus, the prior art
vertical-type MOSFET cell shown in Fig. 1 is completed.

10 In the prior art vertical-type MOSFET to which the above-
described method is applied, both the well region 6 and the
source region 7 are formed by the double diffusion method. For
this reason, when a large number of transistor elements are
fabricated on the silicon wafer, following advantages will
accrue. Namely, uniformity in characteristics of each transistor
15 can be obtained. The production yield can be remarkably
improved. The transistor device can be small-sized.

However, with the double diffusion method, after ion
implantation is effected through the source windows with the
polysilicon film constituting the gate electrode serving as a
20 mask, it is necessary to in advance coat the whole area
interposed between the adjacent source windows in order to form
the well region and the source region are formed by the double
diffusion method.

For this reason, the completed transistor cell has the
25 geometrical configuration in which the polysilicon film exists
still in area corresponding to the upper surface of the drain
region, which area correspond to areas or portions except for the
upper surface of the channel region required for the gate
electrode. From a structural view point, the gate electrode and
30 the drain region are spaced each other solely through the thin
insulating film interposed therebetween. Accordingly, this
results in large capacity between the drain and gate electrodes.
Further, the capacity serves as a feedback circuit from the
output of the switching element to the input thereof, thereby
35 making it impossible or difficult to effect switching at a high

1 speed.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

with the above in view, it is an object of the invention to provide a vertical-type MOSFET making it possible to extremely
5 reduce or lessen the capacity between the drain and the gate to effect switching at a high speed.

It is another object of the invention to provide a vertical-type MOSFET wherein the prior art double diffusion method is directly applicable when fabricating the MOSFET of the
10 invention in spite of a provision of an improvement for high switching capability thereof, thereby making it possible to fabricate it at a low cost without lowering the production yield even if transistor device elements are required to be integrated in a densely packed manner, which is advantages based on the
15 double diffusion method in a following manner.

These and other objects and advantages are accomplished based on a vertical-type MOSFET wherein the structure thereof is formed so as to increase the effective distance between a gate electrode film and a drain region in a following manner.

20 BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Fig. 1 is a cross sectional view illustrating a typical structure of a prior art vertical-type MOSFET,

Figs. 2(A) to 2(I) are cross sectional views illustrating a first embodiment of a vertical-type MOSFET element according to
25 the present invention, each showing fabricating processes thereof,

Figs. 3(A) to 3(G) are cross sectional views illustrating a second embodiment of a vertical-type MOSFET element according to the present invention, each showing fabricating processes
30 thereof, and

Figs. 4(A) to 4(H) are cross sectional view illustrating a third embodiment of a vertical MOSFET element according to the present invention, each showing fabricating processes thereof.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

35 Referring to Figs. 2, there is shown the first embodiment of

1 the invention. A example of fabricating processes or steps of an
n-channel vertical-type MOSFET according to the first embodiment
will be described with reference to Figs. 2(A) to 2(I).

Initially, as shown in Fig. 2(A), the method comprises the
5 step of epitaxially growing an N^- -type monocrystalline silicon
layer 21 of high resistivity, having low donor impurity
concentration N_D of about 2×10^{15} atoms/cm³ and thickness of about
15 μ m, on a drain substrate 20 of low resistivity comprising an
 N^+ -type monocrystalline silicon wafer of high concentration of
10 donor impurities N_D of about 1×10^{18} atoms/cm³ to form a drain
region 21 of high resistivity. A semiconductor wafer 10 is
defined by the drain substrate 20 and the drain region 21.

As shown in Fig. 2(B), the method further comprises the
steps of covering or coating areas or portions, in which well
15 regions for forming channels will be formed, with a resist 22 on
a upper surface of the drain region 21 of high resistivity,
effecting dryetching the surface of opened window portions formed
in the resist 22 by about 1 μ m to form recess portions 21a, and
thereafter removing the resist 22.

20 As shown in Fig. 2(C), the method further comprises the
steps of depositing a silicon oxide film 23 including therein
arsenic (As) having molecular concentration of about 3% by a CVD
(Chemical Vapour Deposition) method so that the thickness thereof
is 1 μ m on the whole surface thereof, and removing the silicon
25 oxide film 23 except for the recess portions 21a by photo-etching
techniques. In this instance, the silicon oxide films 23 filled
in the recess portions 21a is formed in such a manner that each
upper end is projected from the surface of the drain region 21.
More particularly, the silicon oxide films 23 having gradually
30 inclined peripheral edges projected from the surface of the drain
region 21.

As shown in Fig. 2(D), the method further comprises the
steps of forming a silicon oxide film 24 for a gate on the
surface of the drain region by thermal oxidation so that the
35 thickness thereof is approximately 10^2 nm (1,000 Å), and forming a

1 polysilicon layer constituting a gate electrode 25 on the upper
surface thereof by a CVD method. In this instance, N-type
impurities of arsenic (As) contained in the silicon oxide film 23
provided within the recess portions 21a diffuses due to the
5 thermal oxidation mentioned above. As shown by dotted lines,
N⁺-type regions 23a of high concentration are formed along the
interface between the periphery of the silicon oxide film 23 and
the drain region 21 of high resistivity.

As shown in Fig. 2(E), the method further comprises the
10 steps of selectively removing by photo-etching techniques the
portions of the polysilicon layer in which the well region will
be formed, except for gate electrodes 25, effecting boron ion
(B⁺) implantation with the gate electrode portions 25 serving as
a mask, and effecting heat treatment for 24 hour at a temperature
15 of about 1,100 °C, whereby a P-type well region 26 for forming
channel having depth of 4 to 6 μm are formed. In this process,
the energy for ion implantation is about 60 KeV, and the implanted
quantity thereof is about 4×10^{13} atoms/cm².

As shown in Fig. 2(F), the method further comprises the
20 steps of effecting implantation of boron ion (B⁺) from windows
opened in the central portion of the upper surface of the well
regions 26 with the resists 27 (shown by dotted line) serving as
a mask, and removing the resist 27 upon completion of the ion
implantation, whereby regions which will serve as P-type well
25 contact regions are formed in the central portion of the well
region 26. In this process, the energy for ion implantation is
about 50 KeV, and the implanted quantity thereof is about
 5×10^{15} atoms/cm².

As shown in Fig. 2(G), the method comprises the steps of
30 covering regions which will serve as P-type well contact regions
with resists 28 (shown by dotted lines), and effecting ion
implantation of phosphorus ion (P⁺) with the resists 28 and the
gate electrodes 25 serving as a mask. In this process, the
energy for ion implantation is about 100 KeV, and the implanted
35 quantity is 5×10^{15} atoms/cm². The phosphorus ion is also entered

1 into the polysilicon layer 25.

Upon finishment of the above-mentioned steps, resists 28 are removed. Thus, the regions which will serve as a source region including a phosphorus ion (P^+) are formed along the periphery of the regions which will serve as the well contact region.

As shown in Fig. 2(H), the method comprises the steps of forming an insulating film 29 essentially consisting of phosphoric glass in which molecular concentration of phosphorous (P) is about 3% and the thickness thereof is 7×10^2 nm (7,000Å) so as to cover the whole surface, and effecting heat treatment in an atmosphere of nitrogen (N_2) at a temperature of about 1,050 C, whereby boron ion (B^+) and phosphorus ion (P^+) diffuse from the center to the periphery within the well region 26 to complete a P-type well contact regions 30 and N^+ -type source regions 31 respectively.

Finally, as shown in Fig. 2(I), the method further comprises the steps of opening windows for the surface of the source region 31 and the well contact region 30 as well as windows for the leading-out port (not shown) of the gate electrodes, thereafter coating aluminum (Al) on the surface thereof by vacuum deposition so that the thickness thereof is 1.5 μ m, forming a source electrode 32 and an lead electrode for a gate (not shown) by etching, coating aluminum (Al) having the thickness of about 1 μ m on the lower surface of the drain substrate 20 of low resistivity by vacuum deposition, and alloying the aluminum at a temperature of about 450 C, thereby to form a drain electrode 33. Thus, the completed vertical-type MOSFET of the first embodiment is obtained.

In the processes according to the first embodiment, the N-type impurity, such as, arsenic is mixed or included in the silicon oxide film 23 embodied in the drain region 21 of high resistivity, and then the silicon oxide film 24 is formed on the surface of the drain region 21 of high resistivity. In these processes, N^+ -type regions 23a of high impurity concentration are formed along the boundary portions between the oxide film 23 and

1 the drain region 21 of high resistivity by thermal diffusion. As
a result, currents flow through the N^+ -type regions 23a, thereby
making it possible to reduce resistance which originates in the
drain region of high resistivity to lessen "ON" resistance in
5 current path.

Referring to Figs. 3, there is shown the second embodiment
of the invention. A example of the fabricating processes of an
n-channel vertical-type MOSFET according to the second embodiment
will be described with reference to Figs. 3(A) to 3(H).

10 Initially, as shown in Fig. 3(A), the method comprises the
steps of epitaxially growing an N^- -type monocrystalline silicon
layer 121 of low impurity concentration having donor
concentration N_D of about 2×10^{15} atoms/cm³ and the thickness of
about 15 μ m on a drain substrate 120 of low resistivity
15 comprising an N^+ -type monocrystalline silicon wafer of high
concentration of donor impurities N_D of about 1×10^{18} atoms/cm³,
thereby to form a drain region 121 of high resistivity,
thereafter forming silicon nitride (Si_3N_4) film 123 on the
surface of the drain region 121 of high resistivity of a
20 semiconductor wafer 110 through a thin silicon oxide film 122
having the thickness of about 6x10 nm (600A) by a CVD method so
that the thickness of the silicon nitride film 123 is about 10^2
nm (1,000A), and then removing silicon nitride film 123 except
for portions in which a well regions functioning as channels are
25 to be formed with resists 124 (shown with dotted lines) serving
as a mask.

As shown in Fig. 3(B), the method comprises the steps
growing an silicon oxide film by a thermal oxidation method on
the removed portions to form oxide insulating film regions 125
30 having the thickness of about 1 μ m, then removing the silicon
nitride films 123 and the resists 124 using phosphoric acid, at
the same time removing the thin oxide film 122 located at the
lower surface of the silicon nitride film 123, and thereafter
forming a silicon oxide insulating film 126 for a gate on the
35 surface of the drain region 121 of high resistivity except for

1 the thick oxide film region 125 by a thermal oxidation method so
that the thickness thereof is about 10^2 nm (1,000Å). In the
process of growing the thick oxide insulating film region 125,
each peripheries of the region 125 grows in the upper and lower
5 directions in such a manner as to push up the peripheral portion
of the silicon nitride film 123. Accordingly, the thick oxide
insulating film regions 125 are formed in such a manner that each
upper part is projected with respect to the surface of the
insulating film 126 for a gate. More particularly, the oxide
10 insulating films 125 are trapezoid-shaped in appearance, which
have gradually inclined peripheral edges, respectively.

As shown in Fig. 3(C), after the selective oxidation process
is completed, the method further comprises the steps of forming a
polysilicon film 128 having the thickness of about 4×10^2 nm
15 (4,000Å) by a CVD method, selectively removing the polysilicon
film by photo-etching techniques with resists 127 serves as a
mask so that gate electrodes 128 are left, and injecting boron
ions (B^+) into the portions in which there exist no gate
electrode 128 on the upper surface of the drain region 121 of
20 high resistivity by an ion implantation method with the gate
electrodes 128 serving as a mask. The energy for ion
implantation is about 60 KeV, and the implanted quantity is about
 4×10^{13} atoms/cm².

As shown in Fig. 3(D), the method further comprises
25 effecting heat treatment for 24 hours at a temperature of about
1,100 °C thereby to form well regions 129 having the depth of 5 to
6 μm by diffusion, and injecting boron ions (B^+) into a
predetermined surface of the well regions 129 with the resists
130 (shown with dotted lines) serving as a mask. The energy for
30 ion implantation is about 50 KeV, and the implanted quantity is
 5×10^{15} atoms/cm².

As shown in Fig. 3(E), the method further comprises the
steps of covering with resists 131 the regions into which the
boron ions (B^+) have been injected in the preceding step, and
35 then injecting phosphorus ions (P^+) into the surface of the well

1 region 129 with the resists 131 and the gate electrodes 128
serving as masks. In this instance, a great amount of phosphorus
ions (P^+) are immersed into the polysilicon films constituting
the gate electrodes 128. The energy for ion implantation is
5 about 100 KeV, and the implanted quantity is about
 5×10^{15} atoms/cm².

As shown in Fig. 3(F), after the above-described ion
implantation is completed, the method further comprises the steps
of forming an insulating film 132 essentially consisting of
10 phosphoric glass having molecular concentration of about 3% by a
CVD method so that the thickness thereof is 7×10^2 nm (7,000Å), and
effecting heat treatment in the presence of a current of nitrogen
at a temperature of about 1,050 C, whereby source regions 133 and
well contact regions 134 are formed within the well region 129 by
15 thermal diffusion.

As shown in Fig. 3(G), after the double diffusion process
described above is completed, the method further comprises the
steps of opening windows exposed to the surface of the source
regions 133 and the well contact region 134 as well as windows
20 for the leading-out port (not shown) of the gate electrodes, then
coating aluminum of about 1.5 μ m in thickness by vacuum
deposition, thereafter forming source electrode 135 and lead
electrodes for a gate (not shown) by etching, coating aluminum
having the thickness of 1 μ m on the rear surface of the drain
25 substrate 120 of low resistivity by vacuum deposition, and then
effecting heat treatment at a temperature of about 450 C, whereby
an alloy drain electrode 136 is formed. Thus, the vertical-type
MOSFET shown in Fig. 3(G) of the second embodiment is completed.

According to the second embodiment, in the selective
30 oxidation process shown in Fig. 3(B) the peripheral portion of
the thick oxide insulating film region 125 rises so as to be
gradually sloped surface. Accordingly, when the gate electrode
128, the insulating film 132 and the source electrode 135 are
successively stacked, there occurs no crack between respective
35 layers due to the offset structure by the gentle slopes thereof.

1 Further, the stress applied to each films of the layers can
become substantially uniform throughout whole portion of each
film.

Further, in the selective oxidation process shown in Figs.
5 3(A) and 3(B) in the second embodiment, another method may be
employed, which comprises the steps of effecting arsenic ions
(As) implantation with a resist 124 serving as a mask into the
surface of the drain region 121 of high resistivity, and then
forming a thick oxide insulating film region 125 in the same
10 portions as stated above.

The arsenic ions (As) thus implanted forms an N^+ -type region
of high impurity concentration along the interface between the
insulating film region 125 and the drain region 121 of high
resistivity by thermal diffusion in Fig. 4(G). Accordingly,
15 similar to the first emboddiment, electric currents flow through
the N^+ -type region, thereby making it possible to reduce
resistance which originats in the drain region of high
resistivity to lessen "ON" resistance in current paths.

Referring to Fig. 4, there is shown the third embodiment of
20 the invention. An example of fabricating processes of an
N-channel vertical type MOSFET according to the third embodiment
will be described with reference to Figs. 4(A) to 4(H).

Initially, as shown in Fig. 4(A), the method comprises the
steps of epitaxially growing an N^- -type monocrystalline silicon
25 layer of low impurity concentration having donor concentration N_D
of about 2×10^{15} atoms/cm³ and the thickness of about $15 \mu\text{m}$ on a
drain substrate 220 of low resistivity essentially consisting of
an N^+ -type monocrystalline silicon wafer of high impurity
concentration having donor concentration N_D of about
30 1×10^{18} atoms/cm³ thereby to form a drain region 221 of high
resistivity, forming a silicon oxide insulating film 222 for a
gate on the surface of the drain region 221 of high resistivity
of a semiconductor wafer 210 by a thermal oxidation method so
that the thickness thereof is about 10^2 nm ($1,000 \text{ \AA}$), thereafter
35 forming a polysilicon film 223 having the thickness of $4 \times 10^2 \text{ nm}$

1 (4,000A) by a CVD method and forming a silicon nitride film
(Si_3N_4) 224 on the surface thereof by a CVD method so that the
thickness thereof is about 10 nm (1,000A).

As shown in Fig. 4(B), the method further comprises the step
5 of selectively removing the silicon nitride film 224 with resists
225 (shown with dotted lines) serving as masks. The removed
portions of the film 224 correspond to the portions of the drain
region 221 that is to interpose between two well regions and the
portions that is to be source regions.

10 As shown in Fig. 4(C), the method further comprises the step
of oxidizing the polysilicon films 223 except for the gate
electrode portions by thermal oxidation to change them into
silicon oxide films 226. In this oxidation process, the silicon
oxide insulating film 226 grows in a manner to push up the opened
15 inner peripheral edge in the window provided in the silicon
nitride film 224. Accordingly, the insulating films 226 rise on
the surface so as to have trapezoidal shape in cross section.

As shown in Fig. 4(D), after the above-mentioned selective
oxidation process is finished, the method further comprises the
20 steps of removing the silicon nitride film 224 by photo-etching
techniques, selectively removing the polysilicon oxide insulating
films 226 which coat the portions in which the well regions will
be formed, covering the upper surface of the gate electrodes 223
and the insulating films 226 with resists 227 (shown with dotted
25 line), and injecting boron ions (B^+) into the surface of the
drain region 221 of high resistivity by an ion implantation
method under the condition that the gate electrode 223 and the
resist 227 serve as a mask. The energy for ion implantation is
about 60 KeV, and the implanted quantity is about
30. 4×10^{13} atoms/cm².

As shown in Fig. 4(E), the method further, comprises the
steps of effecting heat treatment for 24 hours at a temperature
of 1,100 C to form P well regions 228 by thermal diffusion, and
injecting boron ion (B^+) into the surface of the well region 228
35 from windows opened in the center thereof with the resists 229

1 serves as masks. The energy for ion implantation is about 50
KeV, and the implanted quantity is about 5×10^{15} atoms/cm².

As shown in Fig. 4(F), the method further comprises the
steps of covering the region into which the boron ions are
5 injected at the preceding process with resists 230, and
injecting phosphorus ion (P^+) into the well regions 228 with the
resist 230, the silicon film 223 and the insulating film 226
serving as a mask. In this instance, a great amount of
phosphorus ions are entered into the gate electrode 223. The
10 energy for ion implantation is about 100 KeV, and the implanted
quantity is about 5×10^{15} atoms/cm².

As shown in Fig. 4(G), the method further comprises the
steps of forming an insulating film 231 essentially consisting of
phosphoric glass, the molecular concentration of phosphorus being
15 about 3%, by a CVD method so that the thickness thereof is
 7×10^2 nm (7,000 Å), and effecting heat treatment in the atmosphere
of nitrogen at a temperature of about 1,050 C, whereby source
regions 232 and well contact regions 233 are formed within the
well region 228 by thermal diffusion.

20 Finally, as shown in Fig. 4(H), after the thermal diffusion
process is finished, the method further comprises the steps of
opening windows in the insulating films 222, 231 for forming
electrodes on the source regions 232 and well contact regions
233, opening window in the insulating film 231 for leading-out
25 ports of gate electrodes (not shown), coating aluminum on the
whole surface thereof by vacuum deposition so that the thickness
thereof is 1.5 μ m, forming a source electrode 234 and a lead
electrode (not shown), for a gate by etching, thereafter coating
aluminum having the thickness of about 1 μ m on the whole rear
30 surface of the wafer 210 by vacuum deposition, and alloying it at
a temperature of about 450 C thereby to form a drain electrode
235. Thus, the vertical MOSFET of the third embodiment shown in
Fig. 4(H) is completed.

In the selective oxidation process shown in Fig. 4(C), the
35 oxide insulating film 226 rises so as to be gradual inclined at

1 its surface. In the case where the insulating film 231 and the
source electrode 234 are successively stacked as described above
and illustrated in the figures, there occurs no crack between
layers due to offset structure by the gentle slopes thereof.
5 Further, the stresses applied to the films of each layers can
became substantial uniform as well as the thicknesses thereof.

In the selective oxidation process shown in Figs. 4(C),
similar to the second embodiment, another method may be employed,
which comprises the steps of injecting an N-type impurity, such
10 as phosphorus ions (P^+) into the silicon polycrystalline 223 with
the resists 225 by an ion implantation method in advance. As
described above the MOS transistor produced according to this
method makes it possible to reduce resistance due to the drain
region of high resistivity, thereby to lessen resistance in
15 current paths when the element is switched on.

In the above-mentioned embodiments, the P-type well region
is formed on the N-type substrate. However, the present
invention is applicable to a P-channel vertical-type MOSFET that
an N-type well region is formed on a P-type substrate.

20 As appreciated from the detailed description in connection
with the preferred embodiments, the vertical-type MOSFET
according to the present invention is constituted so as to
increase the effective distance between the gate electrode film
and the drain region in the central portion of the gate electrode
25 film located between adjacent well regions for forming a channel.

Accordingly, this makes it possible to remarkably decrease
feedback capacity between the gate and the drain, thereby to
effect switching at a high speed.

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1 What is claimed is:

1. A vertical-type MOSFET comprising;
a semiconductor wafer functioning as drain,
a drain electrode joined to the lower surface of said wafer,
5 a plurality of a well regions formed in the upper side of
said wafer apart from each other,
a plurality of source regions each of which is formed in one
of said well region respectively,
a gate electrode formed on said adjacent well regions and
10 said wafer interposed therebetween through a gate insulating film
in a manner that the distance between said gate electrode and
central portion of said interposed portion of said wafer that
functions as drain region is larger than the distance between
said gate electrode and said well region,
15 a source electrode electrically contacting to said source
regions.
2. A vertical-type MOSFET claimed in claim 1, wherein,
said film is locally thicker at the part corresponding to
said central portion of said wafer than that of other part.
- 20 3. A vertical-type MOSFET claimed in claim 2, wherein, said
thicker film rises so as to form a gentle sloped surface on said
wafer.
4. A vertical-type MOSFET claimed in claim 1, further comprising
insulators positioning between said central portions of said
25 wafer and said gate electrodes so that the distance between said
gate electrode and said central portions of said wafer is larger
than the distance between said gate electrode and said well
regions.
5. A vertical-type MOSFET comprising;
30 a semiconductor wafer functioning as drain,
a drain electrode joined to the lower surface of said wafer,
a plurality of well regions formed in the upper surface of
said wafer apart from each other,
a plurality of source regions each of which is formed in
35 said well region,

- 1 a gate electrode formed on said upper surface of said wafer
through gate insulating film,
a insulator interposed between said adjacent well regions
apart from said adjacent well regions,
5 said insulator formed by thermal oxidation of said gate
electrode,
a source electrode formed on said source regions.
6. A vertical-type MOSFET claimed in claim 5, wherein,
said insulator rises so as to form a gentle sloped surface
10 on said wafer.
7. A method of fabricating a vertical-type MOSFET comprising;
(A) step of forming an silicon oxide film on the upper
surface of a semiconductor wafer in a manner that the thickness
of the portions thereof which is to interpose between adjacent
15 well regions is thicker than that of other portion,
(B) step of forming gate electrodes on said silicon oxide
film,
(C) step of forming said well regions by ion implantation
method with said gate electrodes functioning as a mask,
20 (D) step of forming source regions in said well regions
with said gate electrodes functioning as a mask,
(E) step of forming source electrodes on said source
regions and drain electrode on a lower surface of semiconductor.
8. A vertical-type MOSFET claimed in claim 7, wherein,
25 said interposed portion of said silicon oxide film is formed
so as to rise from said wafer forming a gentle sloped surface.
9. A method of fabricating a vertical-type MOSFET claimed in
claim 7, wherein,
said silicon oxide film is formed in a manner that said
30 interposed portions includes therein impurities of the
conductivity type corresponding to that of said wafer at the step
(A).
10. A method of fabricating a vertical-type MOSFET comprising;
(A) step of forming recess portions on an upper surface of
35 a semiconductor wafer,

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- 1 (B) step of depositing insulators in each of said recess portions,
- (C) step of forming a silicon oxide film and a polysilicon layer on the whole upper surface of said semiconductor wafer in
- 5 the manner that said polysilicon layer is insulated from said wafer by said silicon oxide film and said deposited insulator,
- (D) step of selectively removing the portions of said polysilicon layer corresponding to the portions of said wafer in which source regions are to be formed,
- 10 (E) steps of effecting ion implantation in said portions of said wafer corresponding to said removed portion and forming well regions by a heat treatment,
- (F) steps of effecting ion implantation in said portions of said wafer corresponding to said removed portion and forming
- 15 source regions by a heat treatment,
- (G) step of forming source electrodes on said source regions and drain electrode on a lower surface of said wafer.
11. A method of fabricating the vertical-type MOSFET claimed in claim 10, wherein,
- 20 said insulator deposited in said recess portion includes therein impurities of the conductivity type corresponding to that of said wafer.
12. A method of fabricating a vertical-type MOSFET comprising,
- (A) step of forming a silicon oxide film and polysilicon
- 25 film stacked said silicon oxide film on the upper surface of a silicon wafer,
- (B) step of selectively oxidizing said polysilicon except for gate electrodes, said oxidized portions of said polysilicon includes the portion that is to interpose between adjacent well
- 30 regions apart from said adjacent well regions,
- (C) step of removing said oxidized portions facing to the portion of said wafer that is to be source regions,
- (D) step of forming said well and source regions, said source region formed in said well region,
- 35 (E) step of forming source electrodes on said source

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1 regions and drain electrode on the lower surface of said wafer.

13. A method of fabricating a vertical-type MOSFET claimed in
claim 12, wherein,

5 said well and source regions is formed by ion implantation
method and thermal diffusion and said interposed portion of said
oxidized polysilicon is doped with impurities of the conductivity
type corresponding to said wafer prior to said thermal diffusion.

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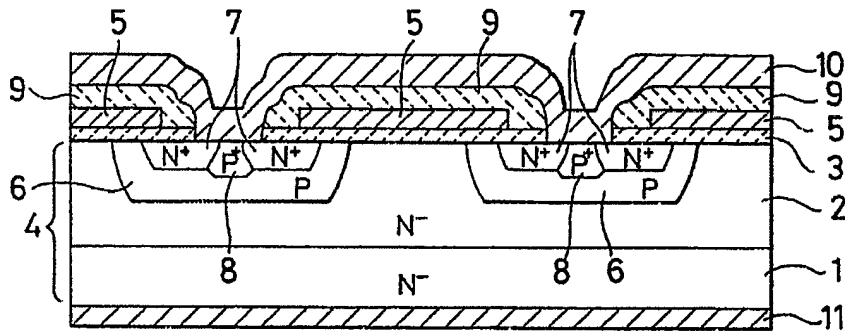


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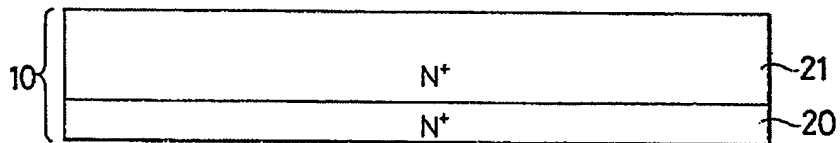
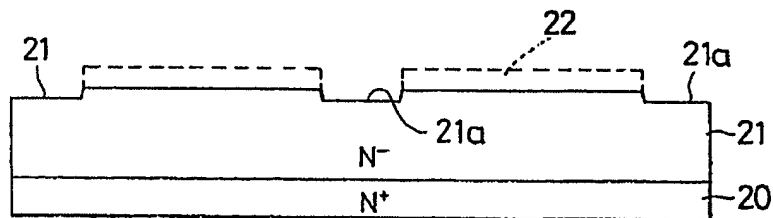


FIG. 2 (B)



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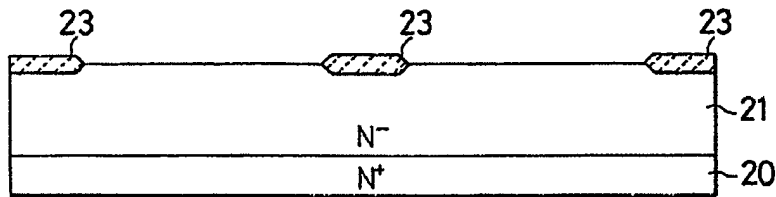


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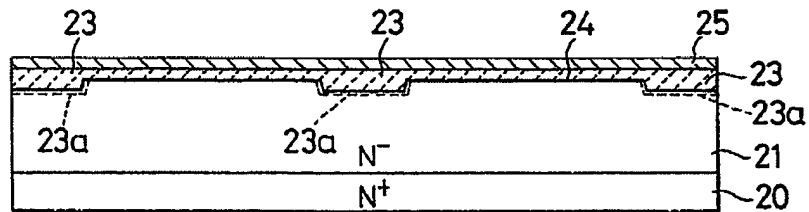


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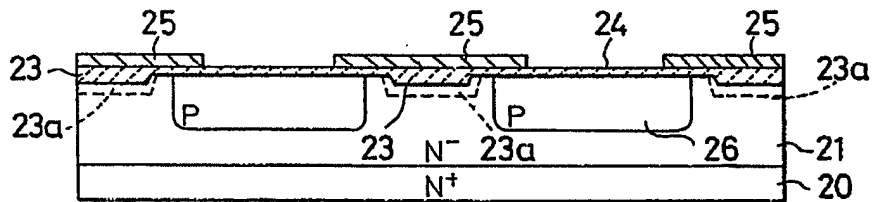
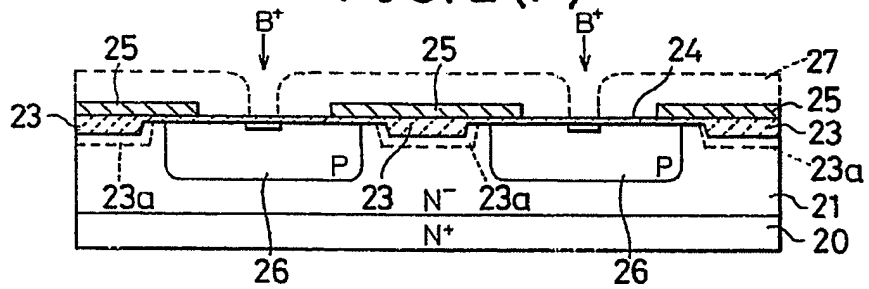


FIG. 2 (F)



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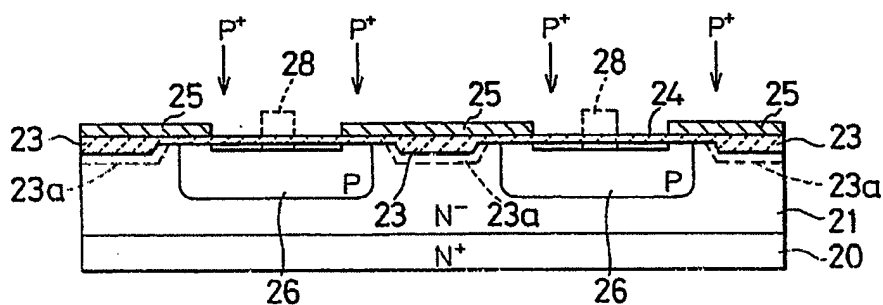


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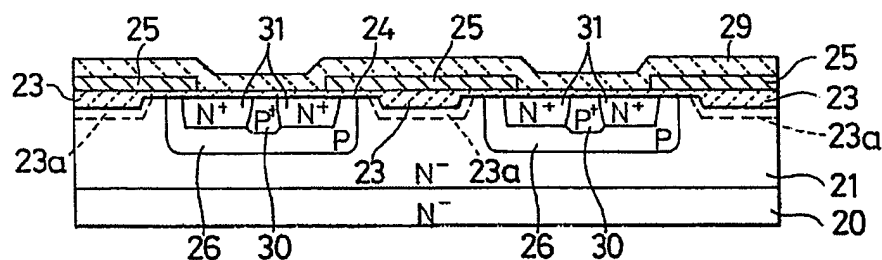
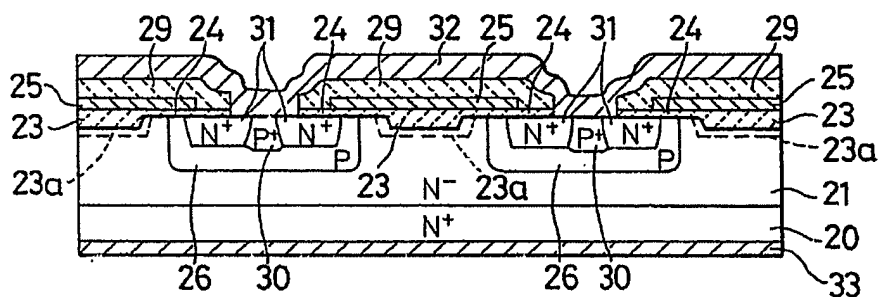


FIG. 2 (I)



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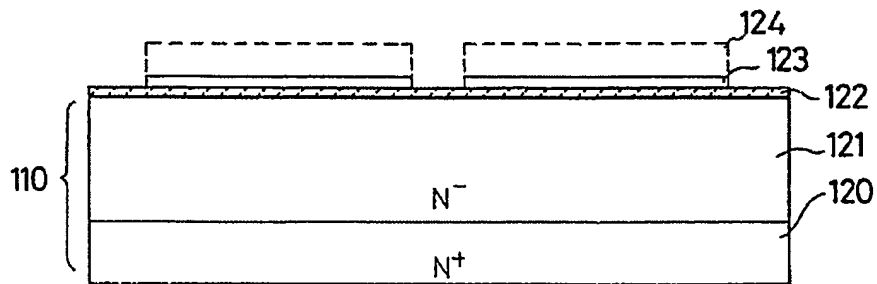
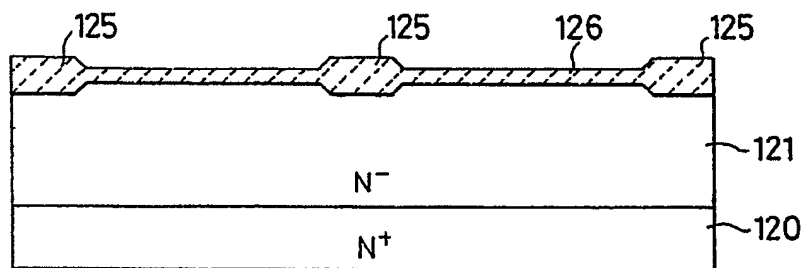


FIG. 3(B)



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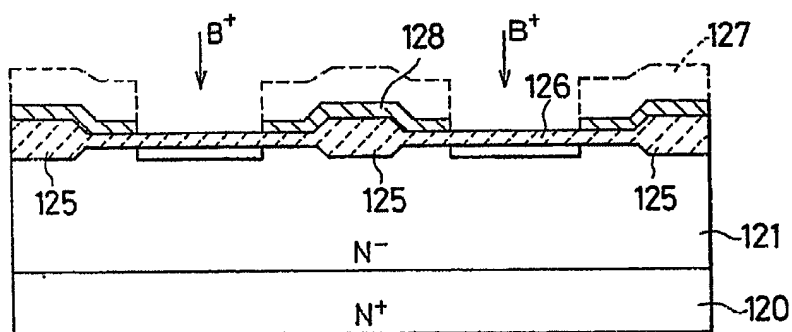
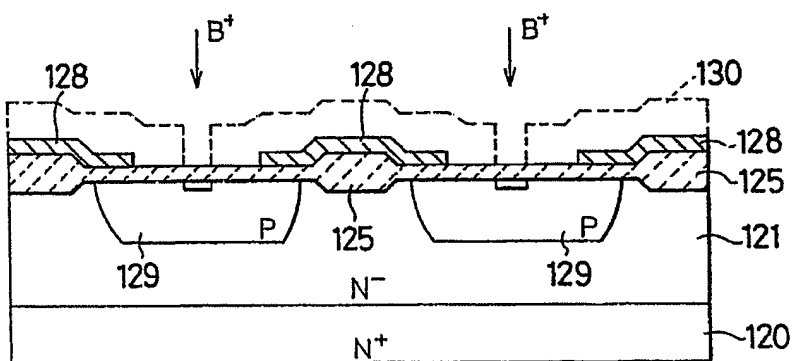


FIG. 3(D)



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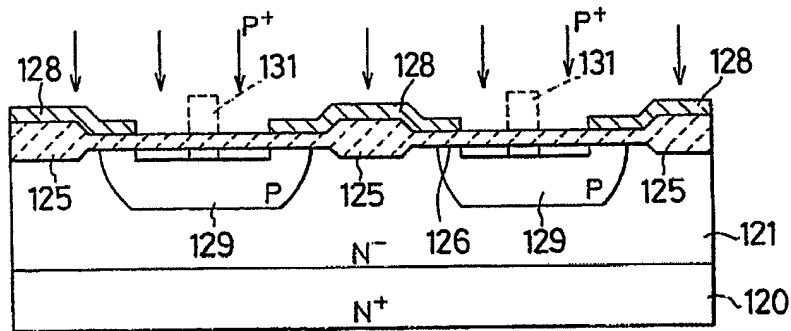


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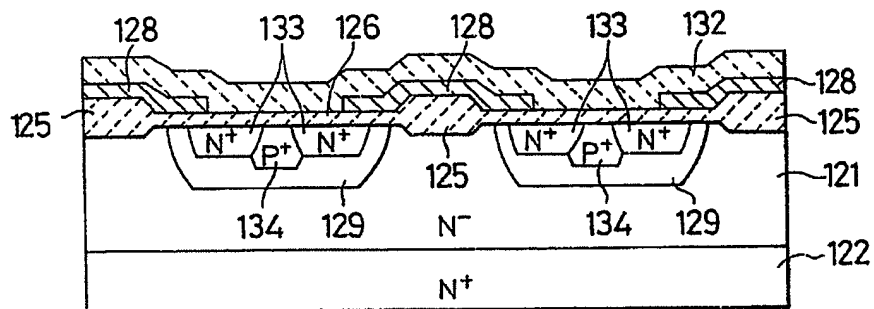
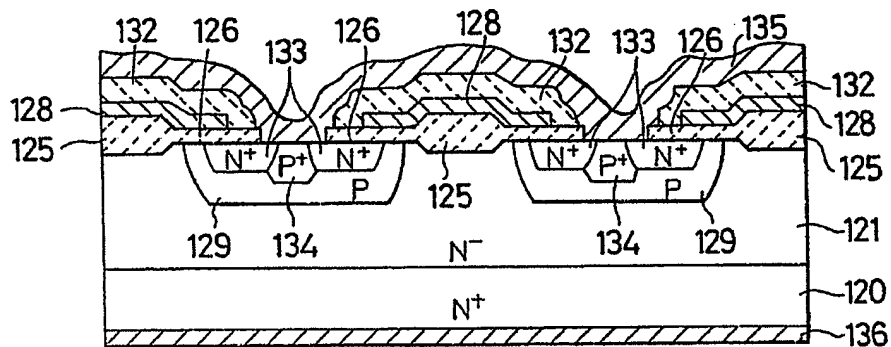


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FIG. 4(A)

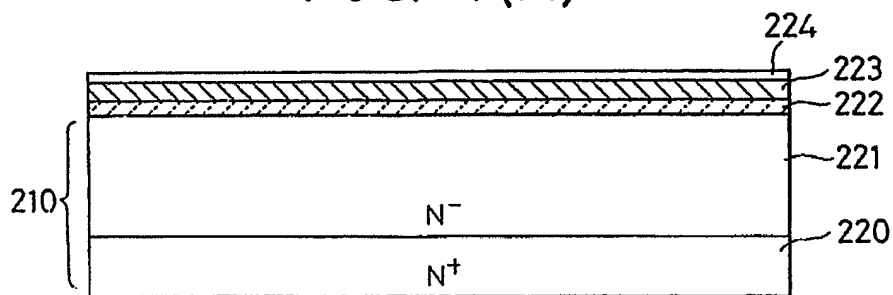


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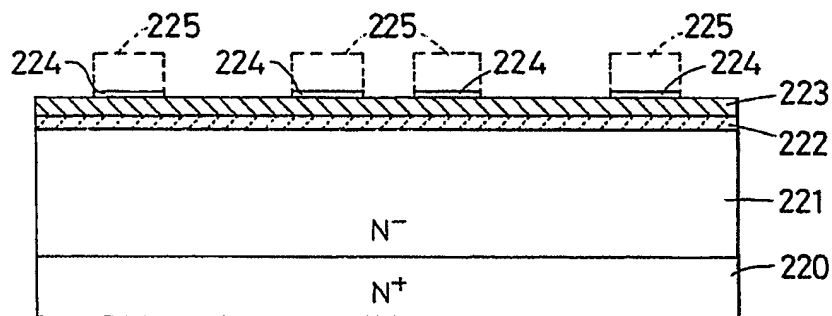
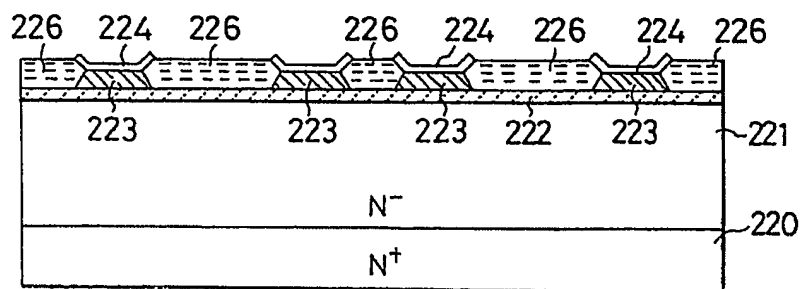


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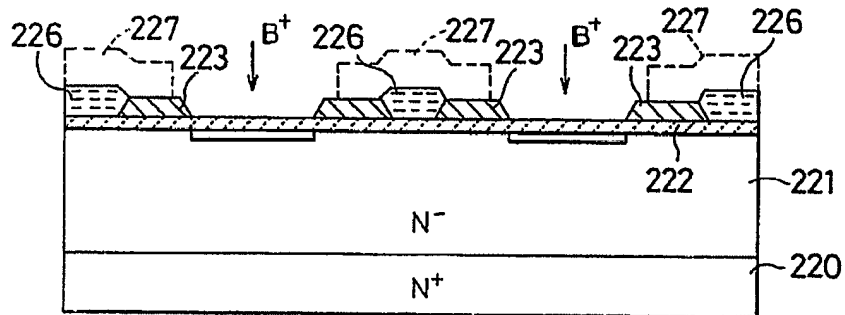


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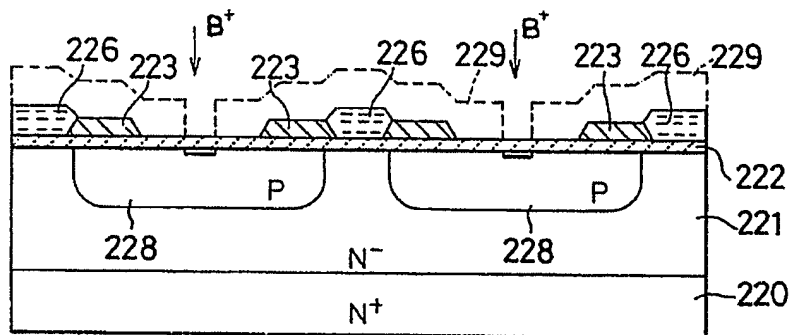
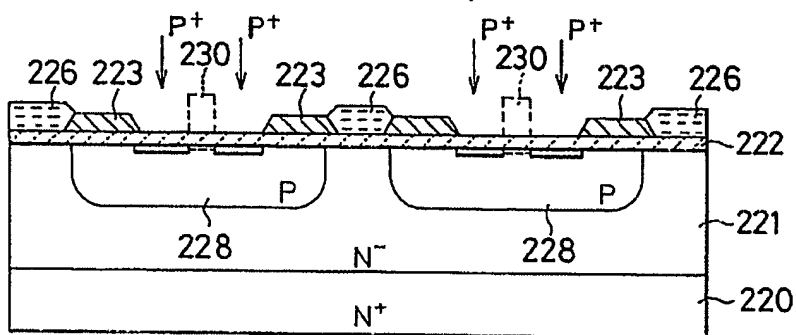


FIG. 4(F)



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This cross-sectional view shows a semiconductor device with a trench structure. The device consists of several layers: a substrate 220 (N⁺), a layer 221 (N⁻), and a layer 222 (P). A trench 226 is formed in the layer 222, with a bottom layer 228 (P) and side walls 233 (N⁺). The trench is filled with a material 232. The top surface of the device is covered by a layer 231, which is patterned into a series of ridges and valleys. The ridges are labeled 223, and the valleys are labeled 226. The layer 231 is also labeled 234. The entire device is covered by a protective layer 235.

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